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Mr. Paul Peronard
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**RE: Libby Asbestos Site, Libby, Lincoln County, Montana:
Public Health Assessment-Public Comment**

Dear Mr. Peronard:

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) is pleased to provide you with a copy of the Public Comment Release version (December 18, 2002) of our public health assessment of Libby Asbestos Site. This health assessment is ATSDR's evaluation of any past, current, or future impact on the health of people who work and live in the community from releases of environmental contaminants from the facility.

Your comments on this document are important to ATSDR. Please let us know if you find any errors, or if you have comments on our evaluation of public health issues or community health concerns.

We will accept written comments from the public until March 14, 2003. Your comments should be mailed to the address noted below and our responses to all comments received will be included in the Final Release version of the health assessment.

If you have any questions about the report, the comment period, or ATSDR's public health activities at Libby Asbestos Site, do not hesitate to contact the health assessor, Jill Dyken, at (404) 498-0428. Thank you for your time and interest.

Sincerely,

Max M. Howie, Jr.

Address comments to: Chief, Program Evaluation, Records, and Information Services Branch
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